

HOLIDAY SPIRIT MARKS THE DAY

Thanks to the Almighty Spoken in Various Churches of The City.

THE POOR AND FATHERLESS

Salvation Army Provides for the Wants Among the Lowly And Homeless.

Hospitals, Orphanages and Other Institutions Spread Season's Bounties Before Willing Partakers.

With a flurry of sleigh bells, the "rah, rah" chorus of college yells, and a sunlight illuminating hills never dressed so wonderfully before in the glistening whites of winter, the nation's annual feasting holiday was ushered in this morning.

As differing from other Thanksgiving days it is conspicuous first for the fact that jobbers who had tried to hold the turkey prices too high per pound found a public sobred by recent hard times into a willingness to make their feast on pork chops and beef roasts. Then comes the frozen weather which has this morning brought out the cutters and the ideal setting for the family gathering where grand-mother could sit at table to enjoy a spread, and tell of days gone by on such a farm as winter celebrated on such a day in "Snow Bound."

Feasting of the soul was carried on this morning for those who would not live by bread alone on such an occasion. In consolidated congregations the church-going population met to listen to expositions of the day's spirit. At the First Methodist church the pastor, Rev. J. H. Smith, gave the invocation. The First Presbyterian, First Methodist, First Congregational, Central Christian, and Westminster Presbyterian churches, at 11 a. m. to listen to Rev. Albert Buxton's sermon, well be found in another column of this impression of the "News."

FEAST FOR YOUNGSTERS.

A banquet board about which as much sunshine played as prevailed in the outside snow that was bathed in it, was that spread for little children and their widowed mothers at the Salvation hall on east Second street. The mid-day meal commenced to be served to patients at 11:30 o'clock, trays laden with edibles suitable to each being carried to the various rooms. An hour later, at 4 o'clock, a number, sat down to a sumptuous meal in the dining room, the following being the menu prepared by the chef of the institution: Cream soup, crisp wafers, celery and olives, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, baked sweet potatoes, potato stuff, minced pie, custard pie, assorted nuts and fruit.

ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL.

Thanksgiving's dinner at St. Mark's hospital was preceded by a spiritual feast, the service being attended by as many of the patients as were able to leave their rooms. A short sermon, appropriate to the day, was delivered by Rev. Mr. Burley, and a musical program was rendered. In the dining room covers were laid for the members of the medical staff, 15 in number, and 25 nurses. Dinner was served to the patients, of whom there are 100, in their rooms, the menu being as follows: Green Purse aux Quenelles, Utah celery, Queen olives, shrimp, baked sweet potatoes, a la creme frappe, cream cheese, salted sprays, tea, coffee, milk.

KEOGH-HAMMOND HOSPITAL.

An "extra good dinner" was enjoyed by the four nurses and 11 patients of the Keogh-Hammond hospital today, and the hour at which it was partaken of was 2 o'clock rather than the usual time of 12 noon, either of which would not have been observed one of the attendants when asked what departed the day would witness in the matter of celebrating Thanksgiving, "so we thought we would have a special meal as would have found upon the table of the average family on such occasions. Dinner, over the afternoon will be passed in the usual manner, with no cessation from work."

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

"While we are prisoners, comparatively speaking, being forbidden to leave the place and being surrounded by an army of being snow-bound, we are not going to go hungry by any means today." This was shouted over the telephone from the isolation hospital shortly before noon today. "Just think of it, a 22-pound turkey for a dozen of us—oh, by the way, we expect three more patients before dinner time, well, there will be times when we are hungry. Then we have pumpkin pies, apple pies, nearly all kinds of pies, cranberries, puddings, and cakes. We will have a good time, though the doors are closed, and the place is surrounded by three feet of snow."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Special music and a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Charles E. Perkins, marked the Thanksgiving service at St. Paul's church, corner of Fourth South and Main. The offertory "O Lord, How Manifest are Thy Works" was rendered by the choir in an inspiring manner and other suitable selections were sung.

Mr. Perkins took as his text the last verse of the last Psalm, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." This, the speaker, is the one of the most fittingly been set apart as a day of thanksgiving for the returns of seed time and harvest and all the benefits of God's mercy and providence.

ST. MARK'S CATHEDRAL.

The Very Rev. Dean Brewster at St. Mark's cathedral preached from the text, "Be ye doers of the word, not hearers only," found in the third chapter of the epistle of James. The speaker asked his hearers to think of this topic, as a most suitable one for a Thanksgiving theme for serious thought. It is in the nature of practical religion, to not be listeners to the teachings of the Scriptures merely, but to practise them in our daily walk and

AT DAY NURSERY.

Special provision was made by the board of directors of the Orphan's Home and Day Nursery for a characteristic Thanksgiving dinner for the boys and girls who find a home at that institution. Many anonymous packages were received during the week, containing provisions and sweetmeats, and in all there was much more than sufficient to feed the 49 youngsters all day and into the evening. The dishes enumerated by the matron that would adorn the tables this afternoon were the following: Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, Irish musher potatoes, celery, cranberry sauce, brown sugar, bananas and cream, apple pie, cake and ice cream.

ST. ANN'S ORPHANAGE.

At St. Ann's Orphanage, 200 persons sat down to a sumptuous dinner, provided in its entirety by Mrs. David Keith. Of the number about the meal were 100 boys and girls who have been given homes at the orphanage, and of the remainder 100 were sisters who have the children in charge and the rest were attendants. Turkey, with cran-

UNION SERVICE.

The congregation of the First Methodist, Third Presbyterian and Phillips Congregational churches united in Thanksgiving services at the chapel of the Third Presbyterian church at the corner of Eleventh South and Eleventh East streets. Rev. P. A. Simpkins, pastor of the Phillips Congregational church, preached the sermon, which was delivered in his usual eloquent style.

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